

## **MINUTES**

### **City of San Diego Park and Recreation Board BALBOA PARK COMMITTEE**

May 6, 2004

#### **Meeting held at:**

Balboa Park Club, Santa Fe Room  
2150 Pan American Road  
San Diego, CA 92101

#### **Mailing address is:**

Balboa Park Administration  
2125 Park Boulevard MS39  
San Diego, CA 92101-4792

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

##### **Members Present**

Laurie Burgett (Arr 6:38)  
Darlene Davies  
Vicki Granowitz  
Jeffrey Kirsch (Arr 6:36)  
Dan Mazzella (Arr 6:43)  
Nancy Rodriguez (Arr 6:34)  
Paul Rucci  
Joe Silverman  
Warren Simon (Arr 7:06)  
Michael Stepner  
Joyce Summer

##### **Members Absent**

Jeffery Tom

##### **Staff Present**

Will Becerra  
Michael Behan  
Kathleen Hasenauer  
Beth Murray  
Gary Stromberg

##### **Staff Absent**

Charles Daniels

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Davies called the meeting to order at 6:31 P.M.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MSC IT WAS MOVED/SECONDED, AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE  
MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 22, 2004 MEETING AS AMENDED.  
(RUCCI/SILVERMAN 8-0-1) ABSTENTION/SUMMER (7:01 P.M.)**

**Nancy Rodriguez requested that Communications read: ... alcohol ban hours...**

**MSC IT WAS MOVED/SECONDED, AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE  
MINUTES OF THE MARCH 18, 2004 MEETING. (RUCCI/SILVERMAN 8-0-1)  
(ABSTENTION/SUMMER)**

**IT WAS MOVED/SECONDED AND CARRIED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES  
OF THE APRIL 1, 2004 MEETING (RUCCI/SILVERMAN 6-0-3)  
(ABSTENTION/KIRSCH/ MAZZELLA/ SUMMER)**

## **REQUESTS FOR CONTINUANCES**

None

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

Kelly Ray of Hospitality, Inc., requested use of the Federal Building Lawn for a Biosite Diagnostics Company picnic on Friday, August 20, 2004. Approximately 1,500 family members and employees are expected to attend the barbecue from 11:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Attendees will be encouraged to visit the museums.

The Policies and Operation Sub-Committee will review the proposed event, examine broader issues, and make their recommendation to the full committee.

Jacqueline Siegel presented information on a temporary public arts project, proposed to be sited in Balboa Park in January or February 2005. The Museum on the Seam Coexistence Exhibition has toured seventeen cities, primarily in Europe. She described the exhibition and the message. The event is free to the public. Local artists are invited to participate. Collateral activities, such as lectures and workshops are components of the multi-cultural event.

Karyn Damian of Biketober West reported on the March event held at the Sports Arena. The Harley Davidson Convention will be held in San Diego in July 2004. Photos of Balboa Park on the weekend of her event were shared with the committee.

## **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

Chairperson Davies announced that a coexistence exhibition workshop will be scheduled for the July meeting. On May 5, 2004 she attended the Special Joint Meeting of the Park and Recreation Board and the Area Committees. The budget presentations were excellent.

Chairperson Davies announced the creation of the Real Estate Assets Sub-Committee. Dan Mazzella will chair the sub-committee and Paul Rucci will be a member. The new sub-committee will report on all real estate in Balboa Park. A grid or matrix will list all of the leases and institutions, as well as parity in maintenance.

Nancy Rodriguez stated that the Balboa Park Cultural Partnership has done considerable research on this topic. She suggested David Lang or David Kinney as members on the sub-committee.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **Consent**

101. None

### **Adoption**

201. None

### **Special Events**

301. None

### **WORKSHOP ITEMS**

401. None

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

501. Hall of Nations Foundation Repair and ADA Upgrade  
Will Becerra, Associate Civil Engineer, discussed the Hall of Nations Disabled Access Path of Travel Project. Sufficient funding has not yet been identified for the project. He provided a location map and revised floor plan for the Hall of Nations.

### **STAFF REPORT**

1. Deputy Park and Recreation Director, Michael Behan, narrated a power-point Budget presentation. The Public Hearing for the Park and Recreation Department Budget will be held on Tuesday, May 18, 2004 at 10:00 A.M. Park and Recreation Board Members have discussed presentations for the May 18 City Council Meeting.
2. Balboa Park Operations District Manager, Gary Stromberg, distributed information on the expanded valet parking trial program, which commenced on April 26, 2004. The Balboa Park Cultural Partnership approached the department on the expansion. The proposal was reviewed by Traffic Engineering and the Police Department. The program enhances the park experience as an increased number of vehicles can be accommodated.
3. Balboa Park Facilities/Special Events District Manager, Kathleen Hasenauer provided an overview of the Special Event Permit Application process and answered questions. Members were given copies of the application, which can be accessed on the City web-site.

### **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**

601. Land Use and Strategic Planning – No report.
602. Policies and Operations – Nancy Rodriguez said they will meet this month.

### **COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS**

Vice-Chair Dan Mazzella attended the May 5 Joint Special Meeting of the Park and Recreation Board and Area Committees. Some members of the public said they were willing to pay higher fees.

Greater North Park Planning Group - Vicki Granowitz requested an updated committee roster. Mike Behan asked that the members confirm their information as accurate or communicate their changes to him.

Central Balboa Park Assembly – Jeffrey Kirsch said that the Balboa Park Cultural Partnership was approached and is working with Con-Vis on a March 2005

Cultural Festival. He cited inconsistencies with the use of the Special Event Permit Application.

Nancy Rodriguez said the group continues to discuss the status of Balboa Park December Nights and hopes to have a decision by the end of May. They continue to seek funding for the event.

Balboa Park Committee members are invited to attend the June 7 meeting. Victoria Hamilton and Vivian Reznick of the San Diego Commission for Arts and Culture will be guest speakers.

Center City Advisory Committee - Joyce Summer said that Centre City Development Corporation has planned a bus tour of downtown.

Balboa Park Committee members suggested that the Committee have membership on the Center City Advisory Committee. A letter from the Balboa Park Committee to the Center City Advisory Committee, with copies to the City Council could be sent expressing this interest.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Ms. Davies adjourned the meeting at 8:50 P.M.

#### **Next Regular Meeting:**

Thursday, June 3, 2004  
6:30 P.M.  
Balboa Park Club, Santa Fe Room  
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Respectfully submitted,

Michael J. Behan  
Staff Representative

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